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FEDERAL GAME PROTECTOR KILLED IN LINE OF DUTY

Fatally wounded by one of three suspected game-law violators late Saturday (Dec. 8), E. Bradford Whitehead, veteran Federal game protector, died today (Dec. 10) in the Central of Georgia Hospital in Savannah as a result of pneumonia complications, says a statement issued by the U. S. Bureau of Biological Survey.

Whitehead, a United States game management agent in the employ of the Biological Survey, according to Savannah authorities, was motoring with his wife about 14 miles from Savannah when he sighted the three suspects, all negroes, one of whom was carrying a sack containing ducks. As the Federal agent approached the negroes to search the sack, one of the suspects shot him in the chest with a load of buckshot. Within an hour after the shooting, the assailant was shot and killed while running to escape arrest by county police, and his two companions are now in custody, the Bureau officials learned.

Whitehead, who was 41 years old, entered the Government service on March 12, 1919, as a deputy game warden and had thus been associated with the Federal game aw enforcement work since the early days of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, which was passed in 1918. He had long been esteemed by his associates as a fearless and efficient officer, and the Bureau placed a high value on the spirit of cooperation he maintained with the sportsmen and the public in his district.

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